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NOTICE of WARNING and NOTICE of VIOLATION

Re: Violation of Title 02 N.C. Administrative Code ("NCAC") Chapter 52J .0202(b); .0203(a); .0204(a), (b), and (d); .0207(a), (b), (b)(4) and (d); and .0210(d).

AWS-WL-2021-4

Boarding kennel: Top Dog Kennel
License Number: 10386

Dear Mr. Frost:

The Animal Welfare Section ("AWS") of the Veterinary Division of the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services ("NCDA&CS") conducted facility compliance inspections ("FCI") on December 18, 2019 and June 29, 2020. Due to the number, repetitive nature and severity of violations of the N.C. Animal Welfare Act ("AWA") and its associated regulations, these FCIs were noted as "Disapproved." On July 24, 2020, AWS conducted another FCI; this FCI was marked as Contingently/Conditionally Approved. This rating was given because, while the kennel remained non-compliant with the AWA and its associated rules in several areas, AWS noted that the kennel had taken some corrective actions. The condition for Approval would be contingent on the kennel continuing to progress in correcting the remaining violations. The follow-up FCI conducted by AWS on March 17, 2021 was marked as Disapproved due to the number, repetitive nature, severity of violations and the failure of the kennel to implement and/or maintain corrective measures for compliance with the AWA and its associated rules.

Copies of the FCI reports are attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

AWS notes the following findings:

The FCI reports document that:

- 1) During the March 17, 2021 FCI no air flow was present in the indoor kennel area allowing for odor buildup and moisture condensation, in violation of 02 NCAC 52J .0202(b).
- 2) Algae growth on the stucco walls indicate that surfaces of the affected areas and enclosures are not sealed and impervious to moisture, in violation of 02 NCAC 52J .0203(a).

- 3) Numerous divider panels in the outside enclosures are rusted and therefore have areas that cannot be adequately sanitized and poses a risk to the dogs housed within them, in violation of 02 NCAC 52J .0204(a).
- 4) Some repairs in the outside enclosures have used wood, in violation of 02 NCAC 52J .0204(a).
- 5) Some of the indoor primary enclosures and the metal gates in these kennels are rusted, in violation of 02 NCAC 52J .0204(a).
- 6) The March 17, 2021 FCI noted a divider in an indoor enclosure that is damaged, separated from the bottom rail that poses a hazard to animals housed within, in violation of 02 NCAC 52J .0204(b).
- 7) During the December 18, 2019 FCI, 3 dogs were noted to be housed in a single enclosure that only had sufficient space for 1 dog, in violation of 02 NCAC 52J .0204(d). The June 29, 2020 FCI again noted 2 dogs housed in an enclosure with insufficient space, in violation of this rule.
- 8) The inside kennels had a buildup of organic matter on the gates and divider panels and dried fecal matter on the enclosure floor, and hair accumulation in the outside enclosures in violation of 02 NCAC 52J .0207(a).
- 9) Staff relayed that a detergent is not used in cleaning or the sanitation process, in violation of 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b).
- 10) Dirty water bowls were present in empty kennels and the kennel staff indicated that these kennels had not been used in several weeks. 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(4) requires that food and water receptacles to be sanitized daily with hot water, detergent, and disinfectant.
- 11) During the June 29, 2020 FCI rodent droppings were noted near the cat enclosures and a bag appeared to be chewed by rodents. 02 NCAC 52J .0207(d) requires the kennel to have an effective program for the control of pests.
- 12) Records reviews during the FCIs showed numerous dogs with expired vaccinations required by the kennel's Program for Veterinary Care submitted as part of the boarding kennel's license renewal applications. In addition, the records for several dogs did not show current rabies vaccination in violation of 02 NCAC 52J .0210(d).

Based on the results of the FCIs conducted on December 18, 2019, June 29, 2020, July 24, 2020 and March 17, 2021, the kennel appears to have violated 02 NCAC 52J .0202(b); .0203(a); .0204(a), (b), and (d); .0207(a), (b), (b)(4) and (d); and .0210(d).

Therefore, I am directing the kennel to do the following:

- 1) Immediately remove all animals housed in primary enclosures that:
 - a. Have exposed, sharp metal edges or other potential hazards that pose injury risk to an animal;
 - b. Have unsealed concrete or other surfaces that cannot be readily sanitized; and/or
 - c. Are in violation of the AWA and its associated rules.
- 2) Immediately update the vaccination records of any animals with kennel records showing expired vaccinations. Animals must be in compliance with NC rabies vaccinations statutes. Animals without a current rabies vaccination should immediately be vaccinated in accordance with NC statutes.
- 3) Submit to AWS within 7 days of receipt of this Notice of Warning a written twice-daily cleaning and sanitation protocols that are in compliance with the AWA and its associated rules. The kennel is to fully implement these twice-daily cleaning and sanitation protocols.
- 4) Submit to AWS within 7 days of receipt of this Notice of Warning a timeline for corrective actions to address all the violations noted above.

This Warning Letter serves as written notice indicating in which respects the kennel has violated the N.C. Animal Welfare Act and the rules issued pursuant thereto. The kennel is hereby noticed that a boarding kennel license may not be renewed if there is not an "Approved" rating for at least one FCI in the fiscal year preceding the renewal application submission. To date, there has not been an "Approved" rating for this kennel for the 4 FCIs including and subsequent to the Disapproved FCI on December 18, 2019. Therefore, should the kennel fail to correct these violations and fail to fully comply with the AWA and its associated rules and thereby achieve an Approved rating on a FCI before June 30, 2021, the boarding kennel license renewal application may be denied.

Continued or future violation of these statutes or regulations will be considered a willful disregard or violation of the N.C. Animal Welfare Act and the rules issued pursuant thereto. Such willful disregard or violation may result in action against your facility's license pursuant to N.C. General Statute § 19A-30 and/or the assessment of a civil penalty of up to \$5,000.00 per violation under N.C. General Statute § 19A-40.

Your immediate attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,



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Appendix

REFERENCED STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

§ 19A-30. Refusal, suspension or revocation of certificate or license.

The Director may refuse to issue or renew or may suspend or revoke a certificate of registration for any animal shelter or a license for any public auction, kennel, pet shop, or dealer, if after an impartial investigation as provided in this Article he determines that any one or more of the following grounds apply:

- (1) Material misstatement in the application for the original certificate of registration or license or in the application for any renewal under this Article;
- (2) Willful disregard or violation of this Article or any rules issued pursuant thereto;
- (3) Failure to provide adequate housing facilities and/or primary enclosures for the purposes of this Article, or if the feeding, watering, sanitizing and housing practices at the animal shelter, public auction, pet shop, or kennel are not consistent with the intent of this Article or the rules adopted under this Article;
- (4) Allowing one's license under this Article to be used by an unlicensed person;
- (5) Conviction of any crime an essential element of which is misstatement, fraud, or dishonesty, or conviction of any felony;
- (6) Making substantial misrepresentations or false promises of a character likely to influence, persuade, or induce in connection with the business of a public auction, commercial kennel, pet shop, or dealer;
- (7) Pursuing a continued course of misrepresentation of or making false promises through advertising, salesmen, agents, or otherwise in connection with the business to be licensed;
- (8) Failure to possess the necessary qualifications or to meet the requirements of this Article for the issuance or holding of a certificate of registration or license.

The Director shall, before refusing to issue or renew and before suspension or revocation of a certificate of registration or a license, give to the applicant or holder thereof a written notice containing a statement indicating in what respects the applicant or holder has failed to satisfy the requirements for the holding of a certificate of registration or a license. If a certificate of registration or a license is suspended or revoked under the provisions hereof, the holder shall have five days from such suspension or revocation to surrender all certificates of registration or licenses issued thereunder to the Director or his authorized representative.

A person to whom a certificate of registration or a license is denied, suspended, or revoked by the Director may contest the action by filing a petition under G.S. 150B-23 within five days after the denial, suspension, or revocation.

Any licensee whose license is revoked under the provisions of this Article shall not be eligible to apply for a new license hereunder until one year has elapsed from the date of the order revoking said license or if an appeal is taken from said order of revocation, one year from the date of the order or final judgment sustaining said revocation. Any person who has been an officer, agent, or employee of a licensee whose license has been revoked or suspended and who is responsible for or participated in the violation upon which the order of suspension or revocation was based, shall not be licensed within the period during which the order of suspension or revocation is in effect. (1977, 2nd Sess., c. 1217, s. 11; 1987, c. 827, s. 67.)

§ 19A-40. Civil Penalties.

The Director may assess a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) against any person who violates a provision of this Article or any rule promulgated thereunder. In determining the amount of the penalty, the Director shall consider the degree and extent of harm caused by the violation.

The clear proceeds of civil penalties assessed pursuant to this section shall be remitted to the Civil Penalty and Forfeiture Fund in accordance with G.S. 115C-457.2. (1995, c. 516, s. 6; 1998-215, s. 3.)

02 NCAC 52J .0202 INDOOR FACILITIES

(b) Indoor housing facilities for dogs and cats shall be adequately ventilated to provide for the health and comfort of the animals at all times. The facilities shall be provided with fresh air either by means of windows, doors, vents or air conditioning and shall be ventilated so as to minimize drafts. Air flow shall be adequate to minimize odors and moisture condensation.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;
Eff. April 1, 1984;
Amended Eff. January 1, 2005.*

02 NCAC 52J .0203 OUTDOOR FACILITIES

(a) In outdoor facilities that are subject to the Animal Welfare Act, primary enclosures and walkways with which an animal comes in contact shall be constructed of sealed concrete or other surfaces impervious to moisture. Gravel may be used if maintained at a minimum depth of six inches and kept in a sanitary manner.

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24; Eff. April 1, 1984; Amended Eff. March 23, 2009; January 1, 2005.

02 NCAC 52J .0204 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES

(a) Primary enclosures shall be constructed so as to prevent contamination from waste and wastewater from animals in other enclosures. All surfaces with which an animal comes in contact shall be impervious to moisture. For primary enclosures placed into service on or after January 1, 2005, no wood shall be within the animal's reach. For primary enclosures in use in a licensed or registered facility prior to January 1, 2005, any damaged wood must be replaced in a manner that does not permit contact with wood by the animal.

(b) Primary enclosures for dogs and cats shall be structurally sound and maintained in good repair and in a manner to prevent injury to animals and keep other animals out. Primary enclosures shall be constructed so as to provide space to allow each dog or cat to walk, urn about freely, and to easily stand, sit, or lie in a natural position. The height of a primary enclosure other than a cage shall be no less than five feet. All enclosures shall be constructed to prevent the escape of animals.

(d) In addition to Paragraph (b) of this Rule, each dog shall be provided a minimum square footage of floor space equal to the mathematical square of the sum of the length of the dog in inches, as measured from the tip of its nose to the base of its tail, plus six inches, then divide the product by 144. The calculation is: $(\text{length of dog in inches} + 6) \times (\text{length of dog in inches} + 6) = \text{required floor space in square inches}$. $\text{Required floor space in square inches} \div 144 = \text{required floor space in square feet}$. The calculation shall be expressed in square feet. Not more than four adult dogs shall be housed in the same primary enclosure without supervision.

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24; Eff. April 1, 1984; Amended Eff. January 1, 2005; April 1, 1985.

02 NCAC 52J .0207 SANITATION

(a) Waste shall be removed from primary enclosures and exercise areas to prevent contamination of the dogs or cats contained therein and to reduce disease hazards and odors. Enclosures and exercise areas for

dogs and cats must be properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day. The animal must be able to walk or lie down without coming in contact with any waste or debris. When a hosing or flushing method is used for cleaning an enclosure, dogs or cats contained therein shall be removed during the cleaning process, and adequate measures shall be taken to protect the animals in other such enclosures from being contaminated with water and other wastes.

(b) Sanitation shall be as follows:

- (1) Prior to the introduction of dogs or cats into empty primary enclosures previously occupied, enclosures and accessories shall be sanitized in the manner provided in Subparagraph (b)(3) of this Rule.
- (2) In addition to primary enclosures being properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day, enclosures and accessories shall be sanitized a minimum of once every seven days in the manner provided in Subparagraph (b)(3) of this Rule if the same animal is housed in the same enclosure more than seven days.
- (3) Cages, rooms and hard-surfaced pens or runs shall be sanitized by:
 - (A) washing them with hot water (180 degrees F.) and soap or detergent as in a mechanical cage washer; or
 - (B) washing all soiled surfaces with a detergent solution to remove all organic matter followed by application of a safe and effective disinfectant; or
 - (C) cleaning all soiled surfaces with live steam.
- (4) Food and water receptacles shall be sanitized daily with hot water, detergent, and disinfectant.

(d) An effective program for the control of insects, ectoparasites, and avian and mammalian pests shall be established and maintained.

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;
Eff. April 1, 1984;
Amended Eff. January 1, 2005; April 1, 1985.

02 NCAC 52J .0210 VETERINARY CARE

(d) All animals in a licensed or registered facility shall be in compliance with the North Carolina rabies law, G.S. 130A, Article 6, Part 6. However, no shelter shall be disapproved following inspection or otherwise cited for failure to inoculate any dog or cat known to be less than 12 weeks old or until such animals have been in the shelter at least 15 days.

History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;
Eff. April 1, 1984;
Amended Eff. March 23, 2009; January 1, 2005.

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Facility Compliance Inspection - Boarding Kennel

Disapproved - 12/18/2019

Facility Name: TOP DOG KENNEL	License Number: 10386
Owner: NICHOLAS FROST	
Address: 12 CAVALIER LANE	
City: SWANNANOA	Zip Code: 28778
County: BUNCOMBE	
Phone: (828)686-3175	Email: TOPDOG@ASHEVILLEKENNEL.COM
Latitude: 35.3613	Longitude: 82.2256
Total Enclosures: 60	
Dogs on Premise: 12	Cats on Premise: 0
Capacity (Dogs): 75	Capacity (Cats): 5
Type of Inspection: Annual Inspection	Date of Inspection: 12/18/2019

02 NCAC 52J .0102 RECORDS

1. Name and address of owner, date of entry, signature and date for release. [02 NCAC 52J .0102 (1)] - In Compliance
2. Description [02 NCAC 52J .0102(2)] - In Compliance
3. Record of veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0102(3)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0103 INSPECTION OF RECORDS

1. Records available upon request. [02 NCAC 52J .0103] - In Compliance
2. Animals matched to record. [02 NCAC 52J .0103] - In Compliance
3. Records retained for 1 year; [02 NCAC 52J .0103]; see section for §19A-32.1(j) for records to be retained for 3 years - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0201 GENERAL

1. Housing facilities structurally sound and maintained in good repair. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(a)] - In Compliance
2. Housing facilities contain the animals and restrict entry of other animals and people. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(a)] - In Compliance
3. Light fixtures and electrical outlets in animal areas in compliance with the State Building Code. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(b)] - In Compliance
4. Electric power reliable and safe. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(c)] - In Compliance
5. Supplies of food and bedding stored and adequately protected against infestation or contamination by vermin and insects. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
6. Open bags of food stored in airtight containers with lids. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
7. Refrigeration for perishable food. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
8. Daily removal and disposal of animal and food waste, bedding and debris; facility maintained in a clean and sanitary manner. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(e)] - In Compliance
9. Hot and cold running, potable water available. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(f)] - In Compliance
10. Washroom, basin or sink provided to maintain cleanliness among animal caretakers, animals, and animal food and water receptacles. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(f)] - In Compliance
11. Ability to confirm ambient temperature. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(g)] - In Compliance
12. A separate five-foot perimeter fence if any animals have access to an outdoor enclosure, including unsupervised exercise areas. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(h)] - In Compliance
13. Adequate drainage system. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(i)] - In Compliance
14. All areas of a facility available for review or inspection during normal business hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(j)] - In Compliance
15. All animals in a facility subject to the requirements of the Animal Welfare Act, regardless of ownership. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(k)] - In Compliance
16. Compliance with all federal, state and local laws, rules and ordinances relating to or affecting the welfare of dogs and cats in its facility. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(l)] - In Compliance
17. No dog or cat present in a window display except during business hours and in compliance with standards set forth in this Section. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(m)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0202 INDOOR FACILITIES

1. Indoor housing facilities adequately heated and cooled. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(a)] - In Compliance
2. Ambient temperature between 50°F and 85°F. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(a)] - In Compliance
3. Indoor housing facilities adequately ventilated. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
4. Fresh air and ventilation provided and drafts minimized. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance

5. Air flow adequate to minimize odors and moisture condensation. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
6. Indoor housing facilities adequately illuminated. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(c)] - In Compliance
7. Illumination provides regular diurnal lighting cycles and be uniformly diffused [02 NCAC 52J .0202(c)] - In Compliance
8. Interior building surfaces are impervious to moisture and can be readily sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(d)] - In Compliance
9. Drainage rapidly eliminates excess water. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance
10. Closed drain systems equipped with traps and installed to prevent odors and backup of sewage. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance
11. The drainage system constructed to prevent cross-contamination among animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0203 OUTDOOR FACILITIES

1. Primary enclosures and walkways constructed of sealed concrete or other surfaces impervious to moisture. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - In Compliance
2. Gravel maintained at a minimum depth of six inches and kept sanitary. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - Not Applicable
3. Outdoor housing provided allows animals to remain dry and comfortable during inclement weather. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - Not Applicable
4. Housing is impervious to moisture and can be disinfected. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - Not Applicable
5. One house available for each animal within each enclosure unless the animals are a mother and her unweaned offspring. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - Not Applicable
6. In addition to the housing, the enclosure provides protection from excessive sun and inclement weather. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(c)] - Not Applicable
7. Owners advised if housed outside. [02 NCAC 52J .203(d)] - Not Applicable
8. Suitable method of drainage provided. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(e)] - In Compliance

NCAC 52J .0203(a) Ensure that outside cement and walls are still sealed to be impervious to moisture

02 NCAC 52J .0204 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES

1. Primary enclosures constructed prevent contamination from waste and wastewater from animals in other enclosures. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - In Compliance
2. All surfaces with which an animal comes in contact impervious to moisture. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - **Not In Compliance**
3. For primary enclosures placed into service on or after January 1, 2005, no wood within the animal's reach. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - **Not In Compliance**
4. For primary enclosures in use in a registered facility prior to January 1, 2005, any damaged wood replaced so that so that there's no contact with wood by the animal. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - Not Applicable
5. Primary enclosures structurally sound, maintained in good repair and in a manner to prevent injury to animals, and keep other animals out. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - **Not In Compliance**
6. Primary enclosures provide space to allow animal to walk, turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit, or lie in a natural position. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - **Not In Compliance**

7. The height of primary enclosures other than cage no less than five feet. [02 NCAC 52J .0204 (b)] - In Compliance
8. All enclosures constructed as to prevent the escape of animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
9. Each primary enclosure provided with a solid resting surface or surfaces adequate to comfortably hold all occupants of the primary enclosure at the same time. [02 NCAC 52J .0204 (c)] - In Compliance
10. All resting surfaces made of a non-porous or easily sanitized material, such as a towel, or a disposable material such as newspaper. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - In Compliance
11. The resting surface or surfaces be elevated in primary enclosures housing two or more cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - In Compliance
12. In addition to Paragraph (b) of 02 NCAC 52J .0204, each dog shall be provided with the minimum square footage required by 02 NCAC .0204(d). [02 NCAC 52J .0204(d)] - **Not In Compliance**
13. Not more than four adult dogs housed in the same primary enclosure without supervision. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(d)] - In Compliance
14. If more than four dogs are housed in a common area or enclosure, then at least one person supervising each 10 dogs housed within each enclosure or common area. [02 NCAC 52J .0204 (e)] - In Compliance
15. In addition to Paragraph (b) of 02 NCAC 52J .0204, each feline older than six months housed in any primary enclosure provided with a minimum of 4sq ft. of floor space which may include elevated resting surfaces. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - In Compliance
16. Each feline younger than 6 months provided 1.5 sq. ft. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - In Compliance
17. No more than 12 cats housed in the same primary enclosure. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - In Compliance
18. In all cat enclosures, receptacle with clean litter provided for waste. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(g)] - In Compliance
19. A minimum of one receptacle per three cats shall be provided. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - In Compliance

NCAC 52J .0204(a)(b) Numerous outside enclosures divider panels are rusted or rusted through leaving an area that cannot be adequately sanitized and poses a risk to the dogs within. Some areas have been repaired with the use of wood, wood is not impervious to moisture or adequate; replace with a material that is impervious to moisture. There are also inside enclosures that are rusting but have not yet rusted through; several have been painted to abate rust, but all have not been, continue to do so. Metal gates in the inside kennels are rusting and rust should be abated to ensure safety and the ability to adequately sanitize. NCAC 52J .0204(b)(d) Roxie, Chop, and Kobe were all three housed inside one inside enclosure and according to the minimum space requirements the enclosure is big enough for just one of the dogs. Space provided must be able to allow each dog or cat to walk, turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit, or lie in a natural position. Minimum space for a dog should be tip of nose to base of tail plus 6 inches squared.

02 NCAC 52J .0205 FEEDING

Dogs and cats fed at least once each 24-hour period except as otherwise might be required to provide adequate veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)]

1. Food is commercially prepared food complying with laws applicable to animal feed or the food provided by the owner. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
2. The food is free from contamination, wholesome, palatable, and of adequate quality and quantity appropriate for the given size, age, and condition of an animal meeting the daily requirements for nutritional value. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
3. Puppies and kittens less than six months of age fed at least twice in each 24-hour period. An eight-hour interval between feedings if only two feedings are offered in a 24-hour period. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
4. Food receptacles accessible to all dogs or cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
5. Food receptacles located to minimize contamination by waste. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
6. For every adult animal, at least one food receptacle offered. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
7. Food receptacles durable, clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
8. Damaged receptacles replaced. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
9. Disposable food receptacles discarded after each feeding. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
10. Food and water receptacles in outdoor facilities protected from the elements. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(c)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0206 WATERING

1. Continuous access to fresh water, except as might otherwise be required to provide adequate veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance
2. Watering receptacles durable, clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance
3. Damaged receptacles replaced. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0207 SANITATION

1. Waste removed from primary enclosures and exercise areas to prevent contamination of the dogs or cats and to reduce disease hazards and odors. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
2. Enclosures and exercise areas for dogs and cats properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
3. The animal must be able to walk or lie down without coming in contact with any waste or debris. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
4. When a hosing or flushing method is used for cleaning an enclosure, animals are removed during the cleaning process, and measures taken to protect the animals in other such enclosures from being contaminated with water and other wastes. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
5. Prior to the introduction of dogs or cats into empty primary enclosures previously occupied, enclosures and accessories sanitized in the manner provided in 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(3). [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)] - In Compliance
6. In addition to primary enclosures being properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day, if the same animal is housed in the same enclosure more than seven days, enclosures and accessories sanitized at least once every seven days in the manner provided in 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(3). [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)] - In Compliance

7. Cages, rooms and hard-surfaced pens or runs be sanitized by:
 - washing them with hot water (180 degrees F.) and soap or detergent as in a mechanical cage washer; or - Not Applicable
 - washing all soiled surfaces with a detergent solution to remove all organic matter followed by application of a safe and effective disinfectant; or - In Compliance
 - cleaning all soiled surfaces with live steam. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(3)(A-C)]- Not Applicable
8. Food and water receptacles sanitized daily with hot water, detergent, and disinfectant. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(4)] - **Not In Compliance**
9. Soiled linens and cloth products mechanically washed with detergent and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(5)] - In Compliance
10. Any area accessible to multiple animals kept clean and sanitary. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(6)] - In Compliance
11. Premises (buildings and grounds) kept clean and in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices set forth in this Rule. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
12. Premises are free of accumulations of trash, junk, waste products, and discarded matter. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
13. Weeds, grasses, and bushes controlled. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
14. Effective program for the control of insects, ectoparasites, and avian and mammalian pests [02 NCAC 52J .0207(d)] - In Compliance

NCAC 52J .0206, .0207(B)(4) During the inspection dirty water bowls were noticed in the section that is normally last to be used. Ms. Johnson stated that the water bowls have been there since the dogs left after Thanksgiving. She stated that the normal procedure is to take them when a new dog arrives, rinse them out, and fill them up. Food and water receptacles shall be sanitized daily with hot water, detergent, and disinfectant.

02 NCAC 52J .0208 EMPLOYEES

1. Sufficient number of employees. [02 NCAC 52J .0208] - In Compliance
2. Supervision of an animal caretaker who has a background in animal husbandry or care. [02 NCAC 52J .0208] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0209 CLASSIFICATION AND SEPARATION

1. Animals in the same primary enclosure maintained in compatible groups. [02 NCAC 52J .0209] - In Compliance
2. Females in season (estrus) not be housed in the same primary enclosure with males except for planned breeding. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(1)] - In Compliance
3. Written permission for comingling. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(2)] - In Compliance
4. Aggressive animals housed individually in a primary enclosure. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(2)] - In Compliance
5. Puppies or kittens less than four months of age housed in the same primary enclosure with adults without written permission. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(3)] - In Compliance
6. Puppies or kittens between 4 and 16 weeks of age have daily access to human social interaction. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(3)] - In Compliance

7. Dogs not housed in the same primary enclosure with cats; dogs or cats not housed in the same primary enclosure with any other species of animals without written permission. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(4)] - In Compliance
8. Designated isolation area for animals being treated or observed for communicable diseases. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
9. Dogs or cats in isolation that are being treated for a communicable disease separated as to minimize dissemination of disease. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
10. A sign posted at the cage or isolation area when in use. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
11. All animals confined in primary enclosures or exercise areas. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(7)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0210 VETERINARY CARE

1. Written program of veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(a)] - **Not In Compliance**
2. Veterinarian's written recommendations for correcting disease problem that persists for more than 30 days obtained and followed [02 NCAC 52J .0210(b)] - In Compliance
3. Daily observation of animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
4. Sick or diseased, injured, lame, or blind dogs or cats provided with veterinary care [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
5. Diseased or deformed animals sold or adopted only under the policy set forth in the "Program of Veterinary Care." [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
6. All animals in a licensed or registered facility in compliance with the North Carolina rabies law, G.S. 130A, Article 6, Part 6. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(d)] - **Not In Compliance**

NCAC 52J .0210(a)(d) While conducting a records check numerous animals did not have current vaccinations stated under the facility's program of veterinary care or rabies mandated by state law. There are two dogs in particular that are of concern. Butkis's rabies and parvo vaccinations expired on February 20, 2019 and his Bordetella vaccination expired February 20, 2017. Zero's rabies and parvo vaccinations expired June 14, 2016 and Bordetella expired February 20, 2017. Both dogs have been boarding at the facility for several times for many years and according to the facility's records Zero has not been current on his vaccinations since he started boarding. ALL animals must be current on their vaccinations.

02 NCAC 52J .0301 VEHICLES

1. Vehicles mechanically sound. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(a)] - Not Applicable
2. Vehicles equipped to provide fresh air to animals without harmful drafts. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(a)] - Not Applicable
3. The animal cargo space constructed and maintained to prevent engine exhaust fumes from getting to the animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(b)] - Not Applicable
4. The interior of the animal cargo space kept clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(c)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .00302 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES USED IN TRANSPORTING DOGS AND CATS

1. Primary enclosures constructed, ventilated and designed to protect the health and insure the safety of the animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
2. Such enclosures constructed or positioned so that:
 - Each animal in the vehicle has sufficient fresh air for normal breathing. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(1)] - Not Applicable
 - The openings of enclosures are easily accessible for emergency removals. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(2)] - Not Applicable
 - The animals are adequately protected from the elements. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(3)] - Not Applicable
3. The ambient temperature maintained between 50°F and 85°F. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
4. The animal containment units are equipped with operable air-conditioning, forced-air cooling and heating or other temperature control mechanisms. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
5. Animals in the same primary enclosure are of the same species. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(b)] - Not Applicable
6. Puppies or kittens less than 4 months of age not be transported in the same primary enclosures with adults other than their dams. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(b)] - Not Applicable
7. Primary enclosures for transport large enough for each animal to turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit or lie down in a natural position. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(c)] - Not Applicable
8. Primary enclosures for transport secured to the vehicle to prevent sliding or tipping of the enclosure during transit. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(c)] - Not Applicable
9. Animals not be placed in primary enclosure over other animals in transit unless such enclosures is constructed so as to prevent animal excreta from entering lower enclosures. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(d)] - Not Applicable
10. All primary enclosures for transport sanitized between use for shipments. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(e)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0303 FOOD AND WATER REQUIREMENTS

1. If animals are transported for more than 12 hours:
 - The vehicles stop at least once every 12 hours for a period of 1 hour. During the 1-hour stop, potable water continuously provided for dogs and cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(1)]- Not Applicable
 - Adult dogs and cats fed at least once during each 24-hour period. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(2)]- Not Applicable
 - Puppies and kittens less than 6 months of age fed every 6 hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(2)] - Not Applicable
 - Dogs removed from the vehicle, given fresh water and given the opportunity for exercise if they have been confined in the vehicle for 36 hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(3)]- Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0304 CARE IN TRANSIT

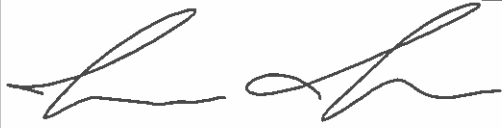
1. The attendant or driver inspects animals frequently enough to assure health and comfort and to determine if they need emergency care and to obtain it if needed. [02 NCAC 52J .0304] - Not Applicable

General Comments:

Performed an annual inspection with Shanda Johnson. The deficiencies noted in the narratives under each section of this report must be addressed. Each deficiency has either been discussed verbally or marked inadequate during previous inspections.

Inspection Result:

Disapproved

Inspector's Signature	Date
 JAMES JOSHUA	12/18/2019
Facility Representative's Signature	Date
SHANDA JOHNSON	12/18/2019

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Facility Compliance Inspection - Boarding Kennel

Disapproved - 06/29/2020

Facility Name: TOP DOG KENNEL	License Number: 10386
Owner: NICHOLAS FROST	
Address: 12 CAVALIER LANE	
City: SWANNANOA	Zip Code: 28778
County: BUNCOMBE	
Phone: (828)686-3175	Email: TOPDOG@ASHEVILLEKENNEL.COM
Latitude:	Longitude:
Total Enclosures: 60	
Dogs on Premise: 13	Cats on Premise: 0
Licensed Capacity (Dogs): 75	Licensed Capacity (Cats): 5
Type of Inspection: Follow-up Inspection	Date of Inspection: 06/29/2020

02 NCAC 52J .0102 RECORDS

1. Name and address of owner, date of entry, signature and date for release. [02 NCAC 52J .0102 (1)] - In Compliance
2. Description [02 NCAC 52J .0102(2)] - In Compliance
3. Record of veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0102(3)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0103 INSPECTION OF RECORDS

1. Records available upon request. [02 NCAC 52J .0103] - In Compliance
2. Animals matched to record. [02 NCAC 52J .0103] - In Compliance

3. Records retained for 1 year; [02 NCAC 52J .0103]; see section for Â§19A-32.1(j) for records to be retained for 3 years - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0201 GENERAL

1. Housing facilities structurally sound and maintained in good repair. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(a)] - In Compliance
2. Housing facilities contain the animals and restrict entry of other animals and people. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(a)] - In Compliance
3. Light fixtures and electrical outlets in animal areas in compliance with the State Building Code. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(b)] - In Compliance
4. Electric power reliable and safe. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(c)] - In Compliance
5. Supplies of food and bedding stored and adequately protected against infestation or contamination by vermin and insects. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
6. Open bags of food stored in airtight containers with lids. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
7. Refrigeration for perishable food. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
8. Daily removal and disposal of animal and food waste, bedding and debris; facility maintained in a clean and sanitary manner. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(e)] - In Compliance
9. Hot and cold running, potable water available. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(f)] - In Compliance
10. Washroom, basin or sink provided to maintain cleanliness among animal caretakers, animals, and animal food and water receptacles. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(f)] - In Compliance
11. Ability to confirm ambient temperature. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(g)] - In Compliance
12. A separate five-foot perimeter fence if any animals have access to an outdoor enclosure, including unsupervised exercise areas. [02 NCAC 52J .0101(h)] - In Compliance
13. Adequate drainage system. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(i)] - In Compliance
14. All areas of a facility available for review or inspection during normal business hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(j)] - In Compliance
15. All animals in a facility subject to the requirements of the Animal Welfare Act, regardless of ownership. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(k)] - In Compliance
16. Compliance with all federal, state and local laws, rules and ordinances relating to or affecting the welfare of dogs and cats in its facility. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(l)] - In Compliance
17. No dog or cat present in a window display except during business hours and in compliance with standards set forth in this Section. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(m)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0202 INDOOR FACILITIES

1. Indoor housing facilities adequately heated and cooled. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(a)] - In Compliance
2. Ambient temperature between 50Â°F and 85Â°F. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(a)] - In Compliance
3. Indoor housing facilities adequately ventilated. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
4. Fresh air and ventilation provided and drafts minimized. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
5. Air flow adequate to minimize odors and moisture condensation. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
6. Indoor housing facilities adequately illuminated. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(c)] - In Compliance
7. Illumination provides regular diurnal lighting cycles and be uniformly diffused [02 NCAC 52J .0202(c)] - In Compliance

8. Interior building surfaces are impervious to moisture and can be readily sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(d)] - In Compliance
9. Drainage rapidly eliminates excess water. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance
10. Closed drain systems equipped with traps and installed to prevent odors and backup of sewage. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance
11. The drainage system constructed to prevent cross-contamination among animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0203 OUTDOOR FACILITIES

1. Primary enclosures and walkways constructed of sealed concrete or other surfaces impervious to moisture. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - Needs Improvement
2. Gravel maintained at a minimum depth of six inches and kept sanitary. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - Not Applicable
3. Outdoor housing provided allows animals to remain dry and comfortable during inclement weather. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - Not Applicable
4. Housing is impervious to moisture and can be disinfected. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - Not Applicable
5. One house available for each animal within each enclosure unless the animals are a mother and her unweaned offspring. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - Not Applicable
6. In addition to the housing, the enclosure provides protection from excessive sun and inclement weather. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(c)] - Not Applicable
7. Owners advised if housed outside. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(d)] - Not Applicable
8. Suitable method of drainage provided. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(e)] - In Compliance

[02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - The concrete in the outside enclosures appears to currently not be sealed, but should be tested when the weather is drier to ensure that it is. Dark algae growth on the stucco walls appears as the walls of the building/enclosure are not sealed and impervious to moisture.

02 NCAC 52J .0204 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES

1. Primary enclosures constructed prevent contamination from waste and wastewater from animals in other enclosures. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - In Compliance
2. All surfaces with which an animal comes in contact impervious to moisture. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - In Compliance
3. For primary enclosures placed into service on or after January 1, 2005, no wood within the animal's reach. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - **Not In Compliance**
4. For primary enclosures in use in a registered facility prior to January 1, 2005, any damaged wood replaced so that there is no contact with wood by the animal. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - In Compliance
5. Primary enclosures structurally sound, maintained in good repair and in a manner to prevent injury to animals, and keep other animals out. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - **Not In Compliance**
6. Primary enclosures provide space to allow animal to walk, turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit, or lie in a natural position. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - **Not In Compliance**
7. The height of primary enclosures other than cage no less than five feet. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
8. All enclosures constructed as to prevent the escape of animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance

9. Each primary enclosure provided with a solid resting surface or surfaces adequate to comfortably hold all occupants of the primary enclosure at the same time. [02 NCAC 52J .0204 (c)] - **Not In Compliance**
10. All resting surfaces made of a non-porous or easily sanitized material, such as a towel, or a disposable material such as newspaper. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - **In Compliance**
11. The resting surface or surfaces be elevated in primary enclosures housing two or more cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - **In Compliance**
12. In addition to Paragraph (b) of 02 NCAC 52J .0204, each dog shall be provided with the minimum square footage required by 02 NCAC .0204(d). [02 NCAC 52J .0204(d)] - **Not In Compliance**
13. Not more than four adult dogs housed in the same primary enclosure without supervision. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(d)] - **In Compliance**
14. If more than four dogs are housed in a common area or enclosure, then at least one person supervising each 10 dogs housed within each enclosure or common area. [02 NCAC 52J .0204 (e)] - **In Compliance**
15. In addition to Paragraph (b) of 02 NCAC 52J .0204, each feline older than six months housed in any primary enclosure provided with a minimum of 4sq ft. of floor space which may include elevated resting surfaces. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - **In Compliance**
16. Each feline younger than 6 months provided 1.5 sq. ft. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - **In Compliance**
17. No more than 12 cats housed in the same primary enclosure. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - **In Compliance**
18. In all cat enclosures, receptacle with clean litter provided for waste. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(g)] - **In Compliance**
19. A minimum of one receptacle per three cats shall be provided. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - **In Compliance**

[02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - Numerous outside enclosures divider panels are rusted or rusted through leaving an area that cannot be adequately sanitized and poses a risk to the dogs within. Some areas have been repaired with the use of wood, wood is not impervious to moisture or adequate; replace with a material that is impervious to moisture. There are also inside enclosures that are rusting but have not yet rusted through; several have been painted to abate rust, but all have not been, continue to do so. Metal gates in the inside kennels are rusting and rust should be abated to ensure safety and the ability to adequately sanitize. (noted at the 12/18/2019 inspection) [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] [02 NCAC 52J .0204(d)] -Garth and Jesse were both housed inside one inside enclosure and according to the minimum space requirements the enclosure is big enough for just one of the dogs. Space provided must be able to allow each dog or cat to walk, turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit, or lie in a natural position. Minimum space for a dog should be tip of nose to base of tail plus 6 inches squared. (noted at the 12/18/2019 inspection for dogs Roxie, Chop, and Kobe) Dogs did not have resting surfaces at the time of inspection

02 NCAC 52J .0205 FEEDING

Dogs and cats fed at least once each 24-hour period except as otherwise might be required to provide adequate veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)]

1. Food is commercially prepared food complying with laws applicable to animal feed or the food provided by the owner. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - **In Compliance**

2. The food is free from contamination, wholesome, palatable, and of adequate quality and quantity appropriate for the given size, age, and condition of an animal meeting the daily requirements for nutritional value. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
3. Puppies and kittens less than six months of age fed at least twice in each 24-hour period. An eight-hour interval between feedings if only two feedings are offered in a 24-hour period. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
4. Food receptacles accessible to all dogs or cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
5. Food receptacles located to minimize contamination by waste. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
6. For every adult animal, at least one food receptacle offered. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
7. Food receptacles durable, clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
8. Damaged receptacles replaced. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
9. Disposable food receptacles discarded after each feeding. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
10. Food and water receptacles in outdoor facilities protected from the elements. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(c)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0206 WATERING

1. Continuous access to fresh water, except as might otherwise be required to provide adequate veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance
2. Watering receptacles durable, clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance
3. Damaged receptacles replaced. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0207 SANITATION

1. Waste removed from primary enclosures and exercise areas to prevent contamination of the dogs or cats and to reduce disease hazards and odors. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
2. Enclosures and exercise areas for dogs and cats properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - **Not In Compliance**
3. The animal must be able to walk or lie down without coming in contact with any waste or debris. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
4. When a hosing or flushing method is used for cleaning an enclosure, animals are removed during the cleaning process, and measures taken to protect the animals in other such enclosures from being contaminated with water and other wastes. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
5. Prior to the introduction of dogs or cats into empty primary enclosures previously occupied, enclosures and accessories sanitized in the manner provided in 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(3). [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)] - **Not In Compliance**
6. In addition to primary enclosures being properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day, if the same animal is housed in the same enclosure more than seven days, enclosures and accessories sanitized at least once every seven days in the manner provided in 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(3). [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)] - **Not In Compliance**

7. Cages, rooms and hard-surfaced pens or runs be sanitized by:
 - washing them with hot water (180 degrees F.) and soap or detergent as in a mechanical cage washer; or - Not Applicable
 - washing all soiled surfaces with a detergent solution to remove all organic matter followed by application of a safe and effective disinfectant; or - **Not In Compliance**
 - cleaning all soiled surfaces with live steam. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(3)(A-C)]- Not Applicable
8. Food and water receptacles sanitized daily with hot water, detergent, and disinfectant. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(4)] - In Compliance
9. Soiled linens and cloth products mechanically washed with detergent and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(5)] - In Compliance
10. Any area accessible to multiple animals kept clean and sanitary. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(6)] - In Compliance
11. Premises (buildings and grounds) kept clean and in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices set forth in this Rule. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
12. Premises are free of accumulations of trash, junk, waste products, and discarded matter. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
13. Weeds, grasses, and bushes controlled. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
14. Effective program for the control of insects, ectoparasites, and avian and mammalian pests [02 NCAC 52J .0207(d)] - **Not In Compliance**

[02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)] [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(3)(B)] - In the inside kennels there was a build up of organic matter on the gates and divider panels. Body oil and contact from the animals within has allowed for a buildup of matter and on the gates appears brown/black. There was fecal matter on some of the enclosure gates and a loose hair buildup in the outside enclosures. Ensure that the entire enclosures are cleaned in accordance with b(3) currently the facility is not using a detergent in cleaning or scrubbing the enclosures, most likely leading to the buildup.[02 NCAC 52J .0207(d)] - Behind and around the cat enclosures there was an abundance of mouse droppings and a chewed bag.

02 NCAC 52J .0208 EMPLOYEES

1. Sufficient number of employees. [02 NCAC 52J .0208] - In Compliance
2. Supervision of an animal caretaker who has a background in animal husbandry or care. [02 NCAC 52J .0208] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0209 CLASSIFICATION AND SEPARATION

1. Animals in the same primary enclosure maintained in compatible groups. [02 NCAC 52J .0209] - In Compliance
2. Females in season (estrus) not be housed in the same primary enclosure with males except for planned breeding. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(1)] - In Compliance
3. Written permission for comingling. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(2)] - In Compliance
4. Aggressive animals housed individually in a primary enclosure. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(2)] - In Compliance
5. Puppies or kittens less than four months of age housed in the same primary enclosure with adults without written permission. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(3)] - In Compliance

6. Puppies or kittens between 4 and 16 weeks of age have daily access to human social interaction. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(3)] - In Compliance
7. Dogs not housed in the same primary enclosure with cats; dogs or cats not housed in the same primary enclosure with any other species of animals without written permission. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(4)] - In Compliance
8. Designated isolation area for animals being treated or observed for communicable diseases. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
9. Dogs or cats in isolation that are being treated for a communicable disease separated as to minimize dissemination of disease. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
10. A sign posted at the cage or isolation area when in use. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
11. All animals confined in primary enclosures or exercise areas. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(7)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0210 VETERINARY CARE

1. Written program of veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(a)] - **Not In Compliance**
2. Veterinarian's written recommendations for correcting disease problem that persists for more than 30 days obtained and followed [02 NCAC 52J .0210(b)] - In Compliance
3. Daily observation of animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
4. Sick or diseased, injured, lame, or blind dogs or cats provided with veterinary care [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
5. Diseased or deformed animals sold or adopted only under the policy set forth in the "Program of Veterinary Care." [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
6. All animals in a licensed or registered facility in compliance with the North Carolina rabies law, G.S. 130A, Article 6, Part 6. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(d)] - **Not In Compliance**

[02 NCAC 52J .0210(a)] [02 NCAC 52J .0210(d)] - While conducting a records check numerous animals did not have current vaccinations stated under the facility's program of veterinary care or rabies mandated by state law. Of the six dogs checked that were currently present only one dog had a current vaccination documented. (noted at the 12/18/2019 inspection)

02 NCAC 52J .0301 VEHICLES

1. Vehicles mechanically sound. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(a)] - Not Applicable
2. Vehicles equipped to provide fresh air to animals without harmful drafts. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(a)] - Not Applicable
3. The animal cargo space constructed and maintained to prevent engine exhaust fumes from getting to the animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(b)] - Not Applicable
4. The interior of the animal cargo space kept clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(c)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .00302 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES USED IN TRANSPORTING DOGS AND CATS

1. Primary enclosures constructed, ventilated and designed to protect the health and insure the safety of the animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable

2. Such enclosures constructed or positioned so that:
 - Each animal in the vehicle has sufficient fresh air for normal breathing. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(1)] - Not Applicable
 - The openings of enclosures are easily accessible for emergency removals. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(2)] - Not Applicable
 - The animals are adequately protected from the elements. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(3)] - Not Applicable
3. The ambient temperature maintained between 50°F and 85°F. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
4. The animal containment units are equipped with operable air-conditioning, forced-air cooling and heating or other temperature control mechanisms. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
5. Animals in the same primary enclosure are of the same species. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(b)] - Not Applicable
6. Puppies or kittens less than 4 months of age not be transported in the same primary enclosures with adults other than their dams. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(b)] - Not Applicable
7. Primary enclosures for transport large enough for each animal to turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit or lie down in a natural position. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(c)] - Not Applicable
8. Primary enclosures for transport secured to the vehicle to prevent sliding or tipping of the enclosure during transit. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(c)] - Not Applicable
9. Animals not be placed in primary enclosure over other animals in transit unless such enclosures is constructed so as to prevent animal excreta from entering lower enclosures. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(d)] - Not Applicable
10. All primary enclosures for transport sanitized between use for shipments. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(e)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0303 FOOD AND WATER REQUIREMENTS

1. If animals are transported for more than 12 hours:
 - The vehicles stop at least once every 12 hours for a period of 1 hour. During the 1-hour stop, potable water continuously provided for dogs and cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(1)] - Not Applicable
 - Adult dogs and cats fed at least once during each 24-hour period. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(2)] - Not Applicable
 - Puppies and kittens less than 6 months of age fed every 6 hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(2)] - Not Applicable
 - Dogs removed from the vehicle, given fresh water and given the opportunity for exercise if they have been confined in the vehicle for 36 hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(3)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0304 CARE IN TRANSIT


1. The attendant or driver inspects animals frequently enough to assure health and comfort and to determine if they need emergency care and to obtain it if needed. [02 NCAC 52J .0304] - Not Applicable

General Comments:

I performed a follow-up inspection with Nicholas Frost. Facility has not corrected the issues noted with minimum space requirements, following the program of veterinary care, and ensuring all animals are in compliance with NC animal rabies law. Facility has 2 days to submit a corrective action plan to address the issues and I will perform a follow up inspection after 14 days. If not corrected and the facility receives a disapproved inspection, the facility can receive a denial to renew the license.

Inspection Result:

Disapproved

Inspector's Signature	Date
 JAMES JOSHUA	06/29/2020
Facility Representative's Signature	Date
NICHOLAS FROST	06/29/2020

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**Facility Compliance Inspection - Boarding Kennel
Contingently/Conditionally Approved - 07/24/2020**

License Number: 10386	Phone: (828)686-3175
Facility Name: TOP DOG KENNEL	
Owner: NICHOLAS FROST	
Address: 12 CAVALIER LANE	
City: SWANNANOA	Zip Code: 28778
County: BUNCOMBE	
Email: TOPDOG@ASHEVILLEKENNEL.COM	
Total Enclosures: 60	
Dogs on Premise:	Cats on Premise:
Licensed Capacity (Dogs): 75	Licensed Capacity (Cats): 5
Type of Inspection: Follow-up Inspection	Date of Inspection: 07/24/2020

02 NCAC 52J .0102 RECORDS

1. Name and address of owner, date of entry, signature and date for release. [02 NCAC 52J .0102(1)] - In Compliance
2. Description [02 NCAC 52J .0102(2)] - In Compliance
3. Record of veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0102(3)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0103 INSPECTION OF RECORDS

1. Records available upon request. [02 NCAC 52J .0103] - In Compliance
2. Animals matched to record. [02 NCAC 52J .0103] - In Compliance
3. Records retained for 1 year; [02 NCAC 52J .0103]; see section for Â§19A-32.1(j) for records to be retained for 3 years - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0201 GENERAL

1. Housing facilities structurally sound and maintained in good repair. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(a)] - In Compliance
2. Housing facilities contain the animals and restrict entry of other animals and people. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(a)] - In Compliance
3. Light fixtures and electrical outlets in animal areas in compliance with the State Building Code. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(b)] - In Compliance
4. Electric power reliable and safe. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(c)] - In Compliance
5. Supplies of food and bedding stored and adequately protected against infestation or contamination by vermin and insects. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
6. Open bags of food stored in airtight containers with lids. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
7. Refrigeration for perishable food. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
8. Daily removal and disposal of animal and food waste, bedding and debris; facility maintained in a clean and sanitary manner. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(e)] - In Compliance
9. Hot and cold running, potable water available. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(f)] - In Compliance
10. Washroom, basin or sink provided to maintain cleanliness among animal caretakers, animals, and animal food and water receptacles. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(f)] - In Compliance
11. Ability to confirm ambient temperature. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(g)] - In Compliance
12. A separate five-foot perimeter fence if any animals have access to an outdoor enclosure, including unsupervised exercise areas. [02 NCAC 52J .0101(h)] - In Compliance
13. Adequate drainage system. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(i)] - In Compliance
14. All areas of a facility available for review or inspection during normal business hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(j)] - In Compliance
15. All animals in a facility subject to the requirements of the Animal Welfare Act, regardless of ownership. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(k)] - In Compliance
16. Compliance with all federal, state and local laws, rules and ordinances relating to or affecting the welfare of dogs and cats in its facility. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(l)] - In Compliance
17. No dog or cat present in a window display except during business hours and in compliance with standards set forth in this Section. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(m)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0202 INDOOR FACILITIES

1. Indoor housing facilities adequately heated and cooled. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(a)] - In Compliance
2. Ambient temperature between 50°F and 85°F. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(a)] - In Compliance
3. Indoor housing facilities adequately ventilated. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
4. Fresh air and ventilation provided and drafts minimized. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
5. Air flow adequate to minimize odors and moisture condensation. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
6. Indoor housing facilities adequately illuminated. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(c)] - In Compliance
7. Illumination provides regular diurnal lighting cycles and be uniformly diffused [02 NCAC 52J .0202(c)] - In Compliance
8. Interior building surfaces are impervious to moisture and can be readily sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(d)] - In Compliance
9. Drainage rapidly eliminates excess water. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance

10. Closed drain systems equipped with traps and installed to prevent odors and backup of sewage. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance
11. The drainage system constructed to prevent cross-contamination among animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0203 OUTDOOR FACILITIES

1. Primary enclosures and walkways constructed of sealed concrete or other surfaces impervious to moisture. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - Needs Improvement
2. Gravel maintained at a minimum depth of six inches and kept sanitary. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - Not Applicable
3. Outdoor housing provided allows animals to remain dry and comfortable during inclement weather. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - Not Applicable
4. Housing is impervious to moisture and can be disinfected. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - Not Applicable
5. One house available for each animal within each enclosure unless the animals are a mother and her unweaned offspring. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - Not Applicable
6. In addition to the housing, the enclosure provides protection from excessive sun and inclement weather. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(c)] - Not Applicable
7. Owners advised if housed outside. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(d)] - Not Applicable
8. Suitable method of drainage provided. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(e)] - In Compliance

[02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - Half of the outside enclosures have been cleaned of algae and being sealed. Continue the process on the opposite side of the facility.

02 NCAC 52J .0204 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES

1. Primary enclosures constructed prevent contamination from waste and wastewater from animals in other enclosures. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - In Compliance
2. All surfaces with which an animal comes in contact impervious to moisture. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - In Compliance
3. For primary enclosures placed into service on or after January 1, 2005, no wood within the animal's reach. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - In Compliance
4. For primary enclosures in use in a registered facility prior to January 1, 2005, any damaged wood replaced so that so that thereâ€™s no contact with wood by the animal. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - Needs Improvement
5. Primary enclosures structurally sound, maintained in good repair and in a manner to prevent injury to animals, and keep other animals out. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - Needs Improvement
6. Primary enclosures provide space to allow animal to walk, turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit, or lie in a natural position. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
7. The height of primary enclosures other than cage no less than five feet. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
8. All enclosures constructed as to prevent the escape of animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance

9. Each primary enclosure provided with a solid resting surface or surfaces adequate to comfortably hold all occupants of the primary enclosure at the same time. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - In Compliance
10. All resting surfaces made of a non-porous or easily sanitized material, such as a towel, or a disposable material such as newspaper. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - In Compliance
11. The resting surface or surfaces be elevated in primary enclosures housing two or more cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - In Compliance
12. In addition to Paragraph (b) of 02 NCAC 52J .0204, each dog shall be provided with the minimum square footage required by 02 NCAC .0204(d). [02 NCAC 52J .0204(d)] - In Compliance
13. Not more than four adult dogs housed in the same primary enclosure without supervision. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(d)] - In Compliance
14. If more than four dogs are housed in a common area or enclosure, then at least one person supervising each 10 dogs housed within each enclosure or common area. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(e)] - In Compliance
15. In addition to Paragraph (b) of 02 NCAC 52J .0204, each feline older than six months housed in any primary enclosure provided with a minimum of 4sq ft. of floor space which may include elevated resting surfaces. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - In Compliance
16. Each feline younger than 6 months provided 1.5 sq. ft. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - In Compliance
17. No more than 12 cats housed in the same primary enclosure. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - In Compliance
18. In all cat enclosures, receptacle with clean litter provided for waste. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(g)] - In Compliance
19. A minimum of one receptacle per three cats shall be provided. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - In Compliance

[02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - Some areas have been repaired with the use of wood, wood is not impervious to moisture or adequate; replace with a material that is impervious to moisture. There are also inside enclosures that are rusting but have not yet rusted through; several have been painted to abate rust, but all have not been, continue to do so. Metal gates in the inside kennels are rusting and rust should be abated to ensure safety and the ability to adequately sanitized.

02 NCAC 52J .0205 FEEDING

1. Dogs and cats fed at least once each 24-hour period except as otherwise might be required to provide adequate veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
2. Food is commercially prepared food complying with laws applicable to animal feed or the food provided by the owner. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
3. The food is free from contamination, wholesome, palatable, and of adequate quality and quantity appropriate for the given size, age, and condition of an animal meeting the daily requirements for nutritional value. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance

4. Puppies and kittens less than six months of age fed at least twice in each 24-hour period. An eight-hour interval between feedings if only two feedings are offered in a 24-hour period. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
5. Food receptacles accessible to all dogs or cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
6. Food receptacles located to minimize contamination by waste. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
7. For every adult animal, at least one food receptacle offered. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
8. Food receptacles durable, clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
9. Damaged receptacles replaced. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
10. Disposable food receptacles discarded after each feeding. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - Not Applicable
11. Food and water receptacles in outdoor facilities protected from the elements. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(c)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0206 WATERING

1. Continuous access to fresh water, except as might otherwise be required to provide adequate veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance
2. Watering receptacles durable, clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance
3. Damaged receptacles replaced. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0207 SANITATION

1. Waste removed from primary enclosures and exercise areas to prevent contamination of the dogs or cats and to reduce disease hazards and odors. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
2. Enclosures and exercise areas for dogs and cats properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
3. The animal must be able to walk or lie down without coming in contact with any waste or debris. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
4. When a hosing or flushing method is used for cleaning an enclosure, animals are removed during the cleaning process, and measures taken to protect the animals in other such enclosures from being contaminated with water and other wastes. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
5. Prior to the introduction of dogs or cats into empty primary enclosures previously occupied, enclosures and accessories sanitized in the manner provided in 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(3). [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)] - Needs Improvement
6. In addition to primary enclosures being properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day, if the same animal is housed in the same enclosure more than seven days, enclosures and accessories sanitized at least once every seven days in the manner provided in 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(3). [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)] - In Compliance
7. Cages, rooms and hard-surfaced pens or runs be sanitized by:
 - washing them with hot water (180 degrees F.) and soap or detergent as in a mechanical cage washer; or - Not Applicable
 - washing all soiled surfaces with a detergent solution to remove all organic matter followed by application of a safe and effective disinfectant; or - **Not In Compliance**
 - cleaning all soiled surfaces with live steam. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(3)(A-C)] - Not Applicable

8. Food and water receptacles sanitized daily with hot water, detergent, and disinfectant. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(4)] - In Compliance
9. Soiled linens and cloth products mechanically washed with detergent and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(5)] - In Compliance
10. Any area accessible to multiple animals kept clean and sanitary. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(6)] - In Compliance
11. Premises (buildings and grounds) kept clean and in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices set forth in this Rule. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
12. Premises are free of accumulations of trash, junk, waste products, and discarded matter. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
13. Weeds, grasses, and bushes controlled. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - In Compliance
14. Effective program for the control of insects, ectoparasites, and avian and mammalian pests [02 NCAC 52J .0207(d)] - In Compliance

[02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)(3)] - In the inside kennels there was a buildup of organic matter on the gates and divider panels. Body oil and contact from the animals within has allowed for a buildup of matter and on the gates appears brown/black. There was fecal matter on some of the enclosure gates and loose hair buildup in the outside enclosures. Ensure that the entire enclosures are cleaned in accordance with b(3) currently the facility is not using a detergent in cleaning or scrubbing the enclosures, most likely leading to the buildup.

02 NCAC 52J .0208 EMPLOYEES

1. Sufficient number of employees. [02 NCAC 52J .0208] - In Compliance
2. Supervision of an animal caretaker who has a background in animal husbandry or care. [02 NCAC 52J .0208] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0209 CLASSIFICATION AND SEPARATION

1. Animals in the same primary enclosure maintained in compatible groups. [02 NCAC 52J .0209] - In Compliance
2. Females in season (estrus) not be housed in the same primary enclosure with males except for planned breeding. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(1)] - In Compliance
3. Written permission for comingling. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(2)] - In Compliance
4. Aggressive animals housed individually in a primary enclosure. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(2)] - In Compliance
5. Puppies or kittens less than four months of age housed in the same primary enclosure with adults without written permission. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(3)] - In Compliance
6. Puppies or kittens between 4 and 16 weeks of age have daily access to human social interaction. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(3)] - In Compliance

7. Dogs not housed in the same primary enclosure with cats; dogs or cats not housed in the same primary enclosure with any other species of animals without written permission. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(4)] - In Compliance
8. Designated isolation area for animals being treated or observed for communicable diseases. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
9. Dogs or cats in isolation that are being treated for a communicable disease separated as to minimize dissemination of disease. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - Not Applicable
10. A sign posted at the cage or isolation area when in use. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - Not Applicable
11. All animals confined in primary enclosures or exercise areas. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(7)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0210 VETERINARY CARE

1. Written program of veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(a)] - In Compliance
2. Veterinarian's written recommendations for correcting disease problem that persists for more than 30 days obtained and followed [02 NCAC 52J .0210(b)] - In Compliance
3. Daily observation of animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
4. Sick or diseased, injured, lame, or blind dogs or cats provided with veterinary care [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
5. Diseased or deformed animals sold or adopted only under the policy set forth in the 'Program of Veterinary Care.' [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
6. All animals in a licensed or registered facility in compliance with the North Carolina rabies law, G.S. 130A, Article 6, Part 6. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(d)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0301 VEHICLES

1. Vehicles mechanically sound. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(a)] - Not Applicable
2. Vehicles equipped to provide fresh air to animals without harmful drafts. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(a)] - Not Applicable
3. The animal cargo space constructed and maintained to prevent engine exhaust fumes from getting to the animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(b)] - Not Applicable
4. The interior of the animal cargo space kept clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(c)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0302 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES USED IN TRANSPORTING DOGS AND CATS

1. Primary enclosures constructed, ventilated and designed to protect the health and insure the safety of the animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
2. Such enclosures constructed or positioned so that:
 - Each animal in the vehicle has sufficient fresh air for normal breathing. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(1)] - Not Applicable
 - The openings of enclosures are easily accessible for emergency removals. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(2)] - Not Applicable
 - The animals are adequately protected from the elements. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(3)] - Not Applicable

3. The ambient temperature maintained between 50°F and 85°F. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
4. The animal containment units are equipped with operable air-conditioning, forced-air cooling and heating or other temperature control mechanisms. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
5. Animals in the same primary enclosure are of the same species. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(b)] - Not Applicable
6. Puppies or kittens less than 4 months of age not be transported in the same primary enclosures with adults other than their dams. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(b)] - Not Applicable
7. Primary enclosures for transport large enough for each animal to turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit or lie down in a natural position. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(c)] - Not Applicable
8. Primary enclosures for transport secured to the vehicle to prevent sliding or tipping of the enclosure during transit. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(c)] - Not Applicable
9. Animals not be placed in primary enclosure over other animals in transit unless such enclosures is constructed so as to prevent animal excreta from entering lower enclosures. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(d)] - Not Applicable
10. All primary enclosures for transport sanitized between use for shipments. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(e)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0303 FOOD AND WATER REQUIREMENTS

1. If animals are transported for more than 12 hours:
 - The vehicles stop at least once every 12 hours for a period of 1 hour. During the 1-hour stop, potable water continuously provided for dogs and cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(1)]- Not Applicable
 - Adult dogs and cats fed at least once during each 24-hour period. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(2)]- Not Applicable
 - Puppies and kittens less than 6 months of age fed every 6 hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(2)]- Not Applicable
 - Dogs removed from the vehicle, given fresh water and given the opportunity for exercise if they have been confined in the vehicle for 36 hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(3)]- Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0304 CARE IN TRANSIT

1. The attendant or driver inspects animals frequently enough to assure health and comfort and to determine if they need emergency care and to obtain it if needed. [02 NCAC 52J .0304] - Not Applicable


General Comments:

I performed a follow-up inspection and covered the results with the owner. Since the last inspection the issue of minimum space requirements has been corrected since the last inspection. There is a great dane and a dachshund that would be borderline in regards to the minimum space if the guillotine door was to be

closed. I checked records for all the dogs present and they were current on their vaccinations in accordance with the facility's program of veterinary care. The facility must continue to follow these requirements to ensure minimum adequacy. Rusted through barrier panels in the outside enclosures have been replaced with a solid material that is impervious to moisture. Along with continued maintenance of the enclosures, the cleaning of the enclosures must be performed at the minimum as noted in the animal welfare act; as discussed with the owner a detergent/degreaser combined with scrubbing must be performed before applying the disinfectant. Approval is contingently/conditionally approved upon continued adequacy of noted changes and the continued correction of deficiencies noted. .

Inspection Result:

Contingently/Conditionally Approved

Inspector's Signature	Date
 JOSHUA JAMES	07/24/2020
Facility Representative's Signature	Date
NICHOLAS FROST	07/24/2020

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Facility Compliance Inspection - Boarding Kennel

Disapproved - 03/17/2021

License Number: 10386	Phone: (828)686-3175
Facility Name: TOP DOG KENNEL	
Owner: NICHOLAS FROST	
Address: 12 CAVALIER LANE	
City: SWANNANOA	Zip Code: 28778
County: BUNCOMBE	
Email: TOPDOG@ASHEVILLEKENNEL.COM	
Total Enclosures: 50	
Dogs on Premise: 12	Cats on Premise: 0
Licensed Capacity (Dogs): 60	Licensed Capacity (Cats): 5
Type of Inspection: Annual Inspection	Date of Inspection: 03/17/2021

02 NCAC 52J .0102 RECORDS

1. Name and address of owner, date of entry, signature and date for release. [02 NCAC 52J .0102(1)] - In Compliance
2. Description [02 NCAC 52J .0102(2)] - In Compliance
3. Record of veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0102(3)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0103 INSPECTION OF RECORDS

1. Records available upon request. [02 NCAC 52J .0103] - In Compliance
2. Animals matched to record. [02 NCAC 52J .0103] - In Compliance
3. Records retained for 1 year; [02 NCAC 52J .0103]; see section for Â§19A-32.1(j) for records to be retained for 3 years - In Compliance

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3. Light fixtures and electrical outlets in animal areas in compliance with the State Building Code. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(b)] - In Compliance
4. Electric power reliable and safe. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(c)] - In Compliance
5. Supplies of food and bedding stored and adequately protected against infestation or contamination by vermin and insects. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
6. Open bags of food stored in airtight containers with lids. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
7. Refrigeration for perishable food. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(d)] - In Compliance
8. Daily removal and disposal of animal and food waste, bedding and debris; facility maintained in a clean and sanitary manner. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(e)] - In Compliance
9. Hot and cold running, potable water available. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(f)] - In Compliance
10. Washroom, basin or sink provided to maintain cleanliness among animal caretakers, animals, and animal food and water receptacles. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(f)] - In Compliance
11. Ability to confirm ambient temperature. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(g)] - In Compliance
12. A separate five-foot perimeter fence if any animals have access to an outdoor enclosure, including unsupervised exercise areas. [02 NCAC 52J .0101(h)] - In Compliance
13. Adequate drainage system. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(i)] - In Compliance
14. All areas of a facility available for review or inspection during normal business hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(j)] - In Compliance
15. All animals in a facility subject to the requirements of the Animal Welfare Act, regardless of ownership. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(k)] - In Compliance
16. Compliance with all federal, state and local laws, rules and ordinances relating to or affecting the welfare of dogs and cats in its facility. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(l)] - In Compliance
17. No dog or cat present in a window display except during business hours and in compliance with standards set forth in this Section. [02 NCAC 52J .0201(m)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0202 INDOOR FACILITIES

1. Indoor housing facilities adequately heated and cooled. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(a)] - In Compliance
2. Ambient temperature between 50°F and 85°F. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(a)] - In Compliance
3. Indoor housing facilities adequately ventilated. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
4. Fresh air and ventilation provided and drafts minimized. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - In Compliance
5. Air flow adequate to minimize odors and moisture condensation. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - **Not In Compliance**
6. Indoor housing facilities adequately illuminated. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(c)] - In Compliance
7. Illumination provides regular diurnal lighting cycles and be uniformly diffused [02 NCAC 52J .0202(c)] - In Compliance
8. Interior building surfaces are impervious to moisture and can be readily sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(d)] - In Compliance
9. Drainage rapidly eliminates excess water. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance

10. Closed drain systems equipped with traps and installed to prevent odors and backup of sewage. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance
11. The drainage system constructed to prevent cross-contamination among animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0202(e)] - In Compliance

[02 NCAC 52J .0202(b)] - At the time of inspection there was no air flow and allowed an odor and heavy moisture content to stay in the air with moisture sitting on the surfaces.

02 NCAC 52J .0203 OUTDOOR FACILITIES

1. Primary enclosures and walkways constructed of sealed concrete or other surfaces impervious to moisture. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - In Compliance
2. Gravel maintained at a minimum depth of six inches and kept sanitary. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - Not Applicable
3. Outdoor housing provided allows animals to remain dry and comfortable during inclement weather. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - Not Applicable
4. Housing is impervious to moisture and can be disinfected. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - Not Applicable
5. One house available for each animal within each enclosure unless the animals are a mother and her unweaned offspring. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(b)] - Not Applicable
6. In addition to the housing, the enclosure provides protection from excessive sun and inclement weather. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(c)] - Not Applicable
7. Owners advised if housed outside. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(d)] - Not Applicable
8. Suitable method of drainage provided. [02 NCAC 52J .0203(e)] - In Compliance

[02 NCAC 52J .0203(a)] - The outside surfaces were wet and could not judge if adequately sealed; ensure that the surfaces are sealed.

02 NCAC 52J .0204 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES

1. Primary enclosures constructed prevent contamination from waste and wastewater from animals in other enclosures. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - In Compliance
2. All surfaces with which an animal comes in contact impervious to moisture. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - In Compliance
3. For primary enclosures placed into service on or after January 1, 2005, no wood within the animal's reach. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - **Not In Compliance**
4. For primary enclosures in use in a registered facility prior to January 1, 2005, any damaged wood replaced so that so that thereâ€™s no contact with wood by the animal. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] - In Compliance
5. Primary enclosures structurally sound, maintained in good repair and in a manner to prevent injury to animals, and keep other animals out. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - **Not In Compliance**
6. Primary enclosures provide space to allow animal to walk, turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit, or lie in a natural position. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance

7. The height of primary enclosures other than cage no less than five feet. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
8. All enclosures constructed as to prevent the escape of animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - In Compliance
9. Each primary enclosure provided with a solid resting surface or surfaces adequate to comfortably hold all occupants of the primary enclosure at the same time. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - In Compliance
10. All resting surfaces made of a non-porous or easily sanitized material, such as a towel, or a disposable material such as newspaper. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - In Compliance
11. The resting surface or surfaces be elevated in primary enclosures housing two or more cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(c)] - Not Applicable
12. In addition to Paragraph (b) of 02 NCAC 52J .0204, each dog shall be provided with the minimum square footage required by 02 NCAC .0204(d). [02 NCAC 52J .0204(d)] - In Compliance
13. Not more than four adult dogs housed in the same primary enclosure without supervision. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(d)] - In Compliance
14. If more than four dogs are housed in a common area or enclosure, then at least one person supervising each 10 dogs housed within each enclosure or common area. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(e)] - In Compliance
15. In addition to Paragraph (b) of 02 NCAC 52J .0204, each feline older than six months housed in any primary enclosure provided with a minimum of 4sq ft. of floor space which may include elevated resting surfaces. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - Not Applicable
16. Each feline younger than 6 months provided 1.5 sq. ft. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - Not Applicable
17. No more than 12 cats housed in the same primary enclosure. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - Not Applicable
18. In all cat enclosures, receptacle with clean litter provided for waste. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(g)] - Not Applicable
19. A minimum of one receptacle per three cats shall be provided. [02 NCAC 52J .0204(f)] - Not Applicable

[02 NCAC 52J .0204(a)] [02 NCAC 52J .0204(b)] - Numerous outside enclosures divider panels are rusted or rusted through leaving an area that cannot be adequately sanitized and poses a risk to the dogs within. Some areas have been repaired with the use of wood, wood is not impervious to moisture or adequate; replace with a material that is impervious to moisture. Noted in previous inspections 05/30/2019, 12/18/2019, 06/29/2020, and 07/24/2020. All the divider panels inside have been painted to abate rust. The metal gates in the inside kennels are rusting and rust should be abated to ensure safety and the ability to adequately sanitize. Noted in previous inspections 12/18/2019, 06/29/2020, and 07/24/2020. In addition I noted that there are areas where the bottom rail of the gates has rusted all the way through where it meets the floor, it must be repaired/replaced. There is an

interior divider that is damaged that is separated from the bottom rail and poses a hazard to animals within.

02 NCAC 52J .0205 FEEDING

1. Dogs and cats fed at least once each 24-hour period except as otherwise might be required to provide adequate veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
2. Food is commercially prepared food complying with laws applicable to animal feed or the food provided by the owner. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
3. The food is free from contamination, wholesome, palatable, and of adequate quality and quantity appropriate for the given size, age, and condition of an animal meeting the daily requirements for nutritional value. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
4. Puppies and kittens less than six months of age fed at least twice in each 24-hour period. An eight-hour interval between feedings if only two feedings are offered in a 24-hour period. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(a)] - In Compliance
5. Food receptacles accessible to all dogs or cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
6. Food receptacles located to minimize contamination by waste. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
7. For every adult animal, at least one food receptacle offered. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
8. Food receptacles durable, clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
9. Damaged receptacles replaced. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
10. Disposable food receptacles discarded after each feeding. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(b)] - In Compliance
11. Food and water receptacles in outdoor facilities protected from the elements. [02 NCAC 52J .0205(c)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0206 WATERING

1. Continuous access to fresh water, except as might otherwise be required to provide adequate veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance
2. Watering receptacles durable, clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance
3. Damaged receptacles replaced. [02 NCAC 52J .0206] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0207 SANITATION

1. Waste removed from primary enclosures and exercise areas to prevent contamination of the dogs or cats and to reduce disease hazards and odors. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
2. Enclosures and exercise areas for dogs and cats properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
3. The animal must be able to walk or lie down without coming in contact with any waste or debris. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance
4. When a hosing or flushing method is used for cleaning an enclosure, animals are removed during the cleaning process, and measures taken to protect the animals in other such enclosures from being contaminated with water and other wastes. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(a)] - In Compliance

5. Prior to the introduction of dogs or cats into empty primary enclosures previously occupied, enclosures and accessories sanitized in the manner provided in 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(3). [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)] - **Not In Compliance**
6. In addition to primary enclosures being properly cleaned a minimum of two times per day, if the same animal is housed in the same enclosure more than seven days, enclosures and accessories sanitized at least once every seven days in the manner provided in 02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(3). [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)] - **Not In Compliance**
7. Cages, rooms and hard-surfaced pens or runs be sanitized by:
 - washing them with hot water (180 degrees F.) and soap or detergent as in a mechanical cage washer; or - **Not Applicable**
 - washing all soiled surfaces with a detergent solution to remove all organic matter followed by application of a safe and effective disinfectant; or - **Not In Compliance**
 - cleaning all soiled surfaces with live steam. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(3)(A-C)]- **Not Applicable**
8. Food and water receptacles sanitized daily with hot water, detergent, and disinfectant. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(4)] - **In Compliance**
9. Soiled linens and cloth products mechanically washed with detergent and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(5)] - **In Compliance**
10. Any area accessible to multiple animals kept clean and sanitary. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(6)] - **In Compliance**
11. Premises (buildings and grounds) kept clean and in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices set forth in this Rule. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - **In Compliance**
12. Premises are free of accumulations of trash, junk, waste products, and discarded matter. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - **In Compliance**
13. Weeds, grasses, and bushes controlled. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(c)] - **In Compliance**
14. Effective program for the control of insects, ectoparasites, and avian and mammalian pests [02 NCAC 52J .0207(d)] - **In Compliance**

[02 NCAC 52J .0207(b)(1)(3)] - In the inside kennels I could feel a sticky and oily residue on the divider panels, fecal matter dried on the floor, and hair on the divider panels and caught under the bottom rails. Body oil and contact from the animals within has allowed for a buildup of matter and on the gates appears brown/black. Ensure that the entire enclosures are cleaned in accordance with b(3), currently the facility is not using a detergent in cleaning or scrubbing the enclosures, most likely leading to the buildup. Noted in previous inspections 06/29/2020 and 07/24/2020.

02 NCAC 52J .0208 EMPLOYEES

1. Sufficient number of employees. [02 NCAC 52J .0208] - **In Compliance**
2. Supervision of an animal caretaker who has a background in animal husbandry or care. [02 NCAC 52J .0208] - **In Compliance**

02 NCAC 52J .0209 CLASSIFICATION AND SEPARATION

1. Animals in the same primary enclosure maintained in compatible groups. [02 NCAC 52J .0209] - In Compliance
2. Females in season (estrus) not be housed in the same primary enclosure with males except for planned breeding. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(1)] - In Compliance
3. Written permission for comingling. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(2)] - In Compliance
4. Aggressive animals housed individually in a primary enclosure. [02 NCAC 52J .0207(2)] - In Compliance
5. Puppies or kittens less than four months of age housed in the same primary enclosure with adults without written permission. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(3)] - In Compliance
6. Puppies or kittens between 4 and 16 weeks of age have daily access to human social interaction. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(3)] - In Compliance
7. Dogs not housed in the same primary enclosure with cats; dogs or cats not housed in the same primary enclosure with any other species of animals without written permission. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(4)] - In Compliance
8. Designated isolation area for animals being treated or observed for communicable diseases. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
9. Dogs or cats in isolation that are being treated for a communicable disease separated as to minimize dissemination of disease. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
10. A sign posted at the cage or isolation area when in use. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(5)] - In Compliance
11. All animals confined in primary enclosures or exercise areas. [02 NCAC 52J .0209(7)] - In Compliance

02 NCAC 52J .0210 VETERINARY CARE

1. Written program of veterinary care. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(a)] - **Not In Compliance**
2. Veterinarian's written recommendations for correcting disease problem that persists for more than 30 days obtained and followed [02 NCAC 52J .0210(b)] - Not Applicable
3. Daily observation of animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
4. Sick or diseased, injured, lame, or blind dogs or cats provided with veterinary care [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
5. Diseased or deformed animals sold or adopted only under the policy set forth in the 'Program of Veterinary Care.' [02 NCAC 52J .0210(c)] - In Compliance
6. All animals in a licensed or registered facility in compliance with the North Carolina rabies law, G.S. 130A, Article 6, Part 6. [02 NCAC 52J .0210(d)] - **Not In Compliance**

[02 NCAC 52J .0210(a)(d)] - When checking records of current dogs being boarded Spencer's, who staff said was a regular customer, vaccinations expired July 2019. Noted in previous inspections 12/18/2019 and 06/29/2020.

02 NCAC 52J .0301 VEHICLES

1. Vehicles mechanically sound. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(a)] - Not Applicable

2. Vehicles equipped to provide fresh air to animals without harmful drafts. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(a)] - Not Applicable
3. The animal cargo space constructed and maintained to prevent engine exhaust fumes from getting to the animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(b)] - Not Applicable
4. The interior of the animal cargo space kept clean and sanitized. [02 NCAC 52J .0301(c)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .00302 PRIMARY ENCLOSURES USED IN TRANSPORTING DOGS AND CATS

1. Primary enclosures constructed, ventilated and designed to protect the health and insure the safety of the animals. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
2. Such enclosures constructed or positioned so that:
 - Each animal in the vehicle has sufficient fresh air for normal breathing. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(1)] - Not Applicable
 - The openings of enclosures are easily accessible for emergency removals. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(2)] - Not Applicable
 - The animals are adequately protected from the elements. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)(3)] - Not Applicable
3. The ambient temperature maintained between 50°F and 85°F. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
4. The animal containment units are equipped with operable air-conditioning, forced-air cooling and heating or other temperature control mechanisms. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(a)] - Not Applicable
5. Animals in the same primary enclosure are of the same species. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(b)] - Not Applicable
6. Puppies or kittens less than 4 months of age not be transported in the same primary enclosures with adults other than their dams. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(b)] - Not Applicable
7. Primary enclosures for transport large enough for each animal to turn about freely, and to easily stand, sit or lie down in a natural position. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(c)] - Not Applicable
8. Primary enclosures for transport secured to the vehicle to prevent sliding or tipping of the enclosure during transit. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(c)] - Not Applicable
9. Animals not be placed in primary enclosure over other animals in transit unless such enclosures is constructed so as to prevent animal excreta from entering lower enclosures. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(d)] - Not Applicable
10. All primary enclosures for transport sanitized between use for shipments. [02 NCAC 52J .0302(e)] - Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0303 FOOD AND WATER REQUIREMENTS

1. If animals are transported for more than 12 hours:
 - The vehicles stop at least once every 12 hours for a period of 1 hour. During the 1-hour stop, potable water continuously provided for dogs and cats. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(1)]- Not Applicable
 - Adult dogs and cats fed at least once during each 24-hour period. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(2)]- Not Applicable
 - Puppies and kittens less than 6 months of age fed every 6 hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(2)]- Not Applicable
 - Dogs removed from the vehicle, given fresh water and given the opportunity for exercise if they have been confined in the vehicle for 36 hours. [02 NCAC 52J .0303(3)]- Not Applicable

02 NCAC 52J .0304 CARE IN TRANSIT

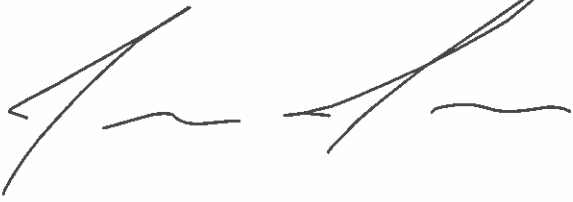
1. The attendant or driver inspects animals frequently enough to assure health and comfort and to determine if they need emergency care and to obtain it if needed. [02 NCAC 52J .0304] - Not Applicable

General Comments:

Performed an annual inspection and reviewed results with Shanda Johnson. In discussions with staff member enclosures that were supposed to be clean and ready for use had hair, fecal matter, and oily residue present. I discussed with her in detail adequate cleaning procedures in accordance to rules of the AWA and showed physically what I was talking about in the kennels. Metal dividers have had rust abated and does look good; the gates, bottom rails and outside dividers must be repaired/abated/replaced. Facility must immediately address cleaning, sanitation, required vaccines, and adequate airflow issues. I will reinspect after 72 hours to ensure that these are adequate.

Inspection Result:

Disapproved

Inspector's Signature	Date
 JOSHUA JAMES	03/17/2021
Facility Representative's Signature	Date
SHANDA JOHNSON	03/17/2021